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1. HAD CIRCA TWO AND HALF HOUR MEET WITH SUBJ LATE EVENING 29 FEB. THIS FOLLOWED BY DOUBLE BRUSH MEET LATE EVENING I MARCH AT WHICH SUBJ PASSED US AND ROVD BACK DOCUMENT WHICH PHOTOGRAPHED (SEE BELOW).

- 2. GENERAL COMMENT: SUBJ CHARACTERIZES PRESENT TRIP AS "MOST INTERESTING TO DATE" FROM POINT OF INTEL. WE BELIEVE CONTINUED DEBRIEFING WILL BEAR THIS OUT. SUBJ GREAT FATIGUE AND INEVITABLE SIDE DISCUSSIONS AFTER RETURN FROM HOMELAND. LIMITED BOTH LENGTH OF MEETING AND BREADTH AND DEPTH OF INITIAL DEBRIEFING. NEVERTHELESS WE ABLE COVER SUBSTANTIAL RANGE OF HIGHLY SIGNIFICANOL TOPICS.
- 3. WISH NOTE THAT SITUATION DESCRIBED BY SUBJ, PER BELOW. ON INTERNAL ALIGNMENTS, AND EXTERAL ATTITUDE ON "SINO-SOVIET" STRUGGLE," IS SUBTLE, NUANCED, COMPLICATED, AND "CUBAN" UNDER BEST OF CIRCUMSTANCES AND SUBJ OWN WELL KNOWN COMPLEXITY OF

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DELIVERY ADDS FURTHER DIMENSION OF DIFFICULTY. CONSIDERABLE
FURTHER DEBRIEFING WILL BE NECESSARY TO GET TOPICS IN FULL
PERSPECTIVE. NEVERTHELESS BELIEVE ON BASIS INITIAL DEBRIEFING
HAVE UNDERSTOOD ESSENCE OF SITUATION SUFFICIENTLY TO PERMIT
INITEL DISSEM. BELIEVE ALSO CONTINUED DEBRIEFING WILL CONFIRM
INITIAL IMPRESSION THAT SUBJ HAS SECURED PARTICULARLY VALUABLE
INSIGHT INTO TOP LEVEL THINKING SEVERAL IMPORTANT AREAS. WILL MAKE
CONTINUED DEBRIEFING TOP PRIORITY CONCERN, BUT UNFORTUNATELY
SUBJ MOVEMENT HIGHLY LIMITED BY PRESENCE GNVA OF GROUP OF
CUBANS FOR WHO AND OTHER MATTERS AND ANOTHER TOP LEVEL
GROUP WILL COMMENCE ARRIVING GNVA CIRCA MARCH FOR UNCAST
CONF. WE HOPE BE ABLE BREAK BACK OF PROBLEM WITH CIRCA SIX EIGHT HOUR DEBRIEFING SUBJ PROJECTED FOR 7 MARCH IN ZURI.

- 4. PERSONAL AND OP HIGHLIGHTS OF MEETING AND DEBRIEFING FOLL:
- A. PERSONAL RPT PERSONAL: SUBJ IS ELATED BY FACT OF SUCCESSFUL ROUND TRIP, AND OF TREATMENT ACCORDED HIM HAVA. HE HOWEVER IN STATE OF GROSS FATIGUE AND TEARS OF TIREDNESS WERE ROLLING DOWN HIS CHEEKS WHEN WE TERMINATED MEET.

 WE MAKING STRONGEST EFFORT PERSUADE

 HIM GET AWAY ON WEEKENDS, SINCE FEAR HE CANNOT GO ON

 MUCH LONGER AT PRESENT SEVEN DAY WEEK, NO VACATION SCHEDULE.

 HE HAS AGREED UTILIZE ZURI DEBRIEFING TRIP FOR AT LEAST THIRTY
 SIX HOUR PERSONAL BREATHER
- B. OPERATIONAL RPT OPERATIONAL: SUBJ ENCOUNTERED UNEXPECTED GRAVE RISK DURING HAVA STAY. CIRCA TEN DAYS AFTER ARRIVAL, HE SUDDENLY DENOUNCED AS "COUNTER REVOLUTIONARY" BY FORMER AIDE

PEDRO GONZALES PIENIRO (SEE GNVA 5462). DENOUNCIATION; WHICH MADE TO MIN FORN AFFAIRS COLLEGIUM, APPARENTLY RESULT PINEIRO BITTERNESS TOWARDS SUBJ, AGGRAVATED BY RAUL ROA REFUSAL GRANT PINEIRO DESIRABLE POST FOR WHICH HE REQUESTED BY NAME. EVERYONE FROM ROA ON DOWN RALLIED TO SUBJ, AND PINEIRO HAS NOT YET COME UP WITH SPECIFIC CHARGES. HOWEVER, VIEW GRAVE NATURE CHARGES AND FACT PINEIRO MUST BACK THEM UP OR FACE DISMISSAL AND PERHAPS BANISHMENT TO PROVINCES, SUBJ HAS NOT HEARD LAST OF MATTER AND AT LEAST EXPECTS MUST ANSWER SPECIFIC CHARGES, WHEN FORTHCOMING, IN WRITING.

C. THERE NO QUESTION BUT THAT PINEIRO ACTION NOT RPT NOT REGIME PLOT AGAINST SUBJ. HIS RECALL WAS FOR REASONS STATED BY HAVA IN RECALL CABLE, AND HE GIVEN EXCELLENT TREATMENT. WAS CONSTANTLY CLOSETED WITH ROA, HAD INTERVIEW WITH DORTICOS, AND SPOKE AT SESSION PRESIDED OVER BY DORTICOS AND ATTENDED BY "CHE" GUEVARA. CARLOS RAFAEL RODRIGUEZ AND ROA, AMONG OTHERS, AT WHICH "LICAST" CONF AND RANGE OF CUBAN EXTERNAL TRADE-PROBLEMS WAS TOPIC.

D. SUBJ EXCELLENT POSITION MAY HAVE DRASTIC CONSEQUENCES.

HE ESTIMATES MAY BE RECALLED AT SOME POINT TO FILL UPPER LEVEL

POST, AND PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THIS REGARD VIEW FACT THAT

VICE MINISTER OF FORN TRADE LLOMPART RODRIGUEZ, ONE OF

FOUR VICE MINISTERS, BEING SENT ARGENTINA AS AMBASSADOR AND THUS

LEAVING VACANT POST FOR WHICH SUBJ EMINENTLY QUALIFIED. GUBJ

AT OP MEETING SERVED LOW KEY BUT EMPHATIC NOTICE HE WILL NOT

ACCEPT PCS ASSIGNMENT HAVA "AT ANY PRICE." WE DID NOT DEEM

MOMENT SUITABLE FOR DETAILED EXPLORATION WHICH CAN AVAIT

TERMINATION PRESSING INTEL DEBRIEFING.

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- A. CASTRO TRIP MOSCOW: TRIP MADE PRIMARILY TO GAIN USSR "ECONOMIC AID, SECONDARILY TO SHOW PSP "OLD GUARD" THEY NO LONGER NECESSARY IN CASTRO DEALINGS WITH USSR. SOVIET AID ACCURATELY DESCRIBED IN PRESS REPORTS.
- B. CUBAN/US RELATIONS AND GUANTANAMO: CASTRO SINCERELY DESIRES NEGOTIATE DETENTE WITH US. CONCERNED PRES JOHNSON WILL NOT FOLLOW KENNEDY COURSE WHICH "MIGHT HAVE LED TO NEGOTIATIONS." KHRUSHCHEV IN MOSCOW CONVINCED CASTRO "CARRIBEAN PEACE" WORKS TO CUBAN ADVANTAGE AND MUST BE STRENGTHENED. IN ADDITION. CASTRO CONVINCED CUBAN PROSPERITY NOT ACHIEVABLE WITH SOV AID ALONE. HE INFURIATED BECAUSE "FISHING BOAT" INCIDENT CONSTITUTED OBSTACLE TO BETTERMENT US CUBAN RELATIONS. BUT PRESTIGE FORCED HIM TAKE SOME ACTION. IN CUTTING GUANTANAMO WATER. APPARENTLY CHOSE ACTION LEAST LIKELY TO ESCALATE. ONE ALTERNATIVE CONSIDERED AND ABANDONED WAS FIRING AT "U-2" FLIGHTS, WHICH CUBANS APPARENTLY ABLE TRACK.
- C. LATIN AMERICA: CASTRO CONVINCED KHRUSHCHEV WILL NOT SUPPORT REVOLUTION IN LATIN AMERICA, VIEW DESIRE MAINTAIN STATUS QUO WITH ODYOKE. CASTRO HAS TOLD LATIN AMERICAN AMBASSADORS HAVA HE WILL STOP ACTIVITY AGAINST ALL L.A. COUNTRIES IS LATTER WILL RECIPROCATE. ROA BELIEVES THIS SERIOUS OFFER.
- D. SONO SOVIET STRUGGLE: VERY COMPLICATED. EXTERNALLY, IN ESSENCE, CASTRO BELIEVES CHICOMS RIGHT IN CLAIMING USSR BETRAYING ORTHODOX COMMUNIST DOCTRINES, BUT CHICOMS ARE "FARCEURS" WHO HAVE NOTHING SUBSTANTIAL TO OFFER CUBA OR UNDERDEVELOPED WORLD. HENCE FOR PRAGMATIC REASONS CUBA SUPPORTING SOVIET COURSE. CHE GUEVARA IS

STRONGEST "PRO CHINESE." INTERNALLY, FIDELISTAS WHILE COMMITED MARXISM-LENINISM, DETERMINED IT WILL BE ALONG CUBAN RATHER THAN "RUSIAN" LINE AND STRUGGLE UNDER WAY ON THIS ISSUE.

- E. PSP "OLD GUARD": CASTRO CONVINCED THEY STILL CONSPIRING
 AGAINST HIM AND THAT CARLOS RAFAEL RODRIGUEZ IS AND HAS BEEN "ANTIFIDELISTA" LEADER. CAMPAIGN TO DISCREDIT AND FURTHER DIMINISH
 INFLUENCE "OLD GUARD" CURRENTLY UNDER WAY.
- F. INTERNAL ECONOMIC: MAJOR PREOCCUPATION OF REGIME, BOTH
 TO MAINTAIN POPULAR SUPPORT AND TO DEMONSTRATE "INDEPENDENCE FROM
 RUSSIFICATION," IS TO SATISFY CONSUMER NEEDS AND CATEGORICALLY RESIST
 CLASSIC EASTERN EUROPEAN PATTERN OF "SACRIFICE TO CONSTRUCT SOCIALISM."
- G. UNCTAD AND FORN TRADE: UNABLE DEBRIEF SUBJ THIS TOPIC

 DUE HIS SUDDEN SUCCUMBING TO FATIGUE AS WE ABOUT COMMENCE. HOWEVER

 VIA 1 MARCH BRUSH MEETS SECURED AND PHOTOGRAPHED CIRCA HUNDRED

 PAGE REPORT OF VICE MINISTER FORN TRADE MALDANADO ON TALKS ON

 UNCTAD WITH EUROPEAN ORBIT MEMBERS JANUARY 64. POUCHING FILM FRAN 3

 MARCH WITH CABLE INSTRUCTIONS EXPEDITE MOVEMENT TO MKTOPAZ, DEVELOP,

 SEND PRINTS PRIORITY BASIS DIRECTLY TO HOS.
- 6. POUCHING FURTHER DETAILS PARA FOUR. INTEL CABLES FOLLOW ON PARA FIVE ITEMS. PLS NOTE, INTEND IN FURTHER DEBRIEFING COVER MANY AREAS ASIDE FROM THOSE INCLUDED PARA 5, WHICH ALL THAT TIME PERMITTED.

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CS COMMENT: * CABLE IS MORE THAN A YEAR OLD.